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WEST VIRGINIA BULLETIN NO: WV300-8-13

SUBJECT: LTP – Local Work Group Activities

Purpose: To provides guidance for submitting advice and recommendations for

implementing FY 2009 Farm Bill Programs.

Expiration Date: This bulletin expires September 30, 2008

ACTION REQUESTED BY: May 19, 2008

Local Work Groups (LWG) provide valuable assistance in identifying resource concerns. This year, we want to activate the LWG early to allow District Conservationists time to complete conservation plans with participants and obligate funds in October, FY 2009. To facilitate this process, we ask the LWG to schedule meetings as soon as possible to address the following issues:

- Priority Resource Concerns.
- Local Ouestions.

The Lead Designated Conservationist documents the recommendations of the LWG and submits an electronic copy of all information to JR Wolfe, Farm Bill Program Specialist, by <u>Close of Business May 19, 2008</u>. Please be sure to identify all recommended changes by highlighting and explaining those items requiring a change.

The State Conservationist will make decisions for FY2009 Farm Bill Programs implementation, based on recommendations of NRCS staff on behalf of the LWG and State Technical Committee.

If you have questions or need additional information, please contact JR Wolfe, Farm Bill Program Specialist, at (304) 284-7583 or Bill O'Donnell, Assistant State Conservationist - Programs, at (304) 284-7543.

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